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CATHOLIC PRELATE PUT TO DEATH BY SOVIETS; FACES FIRING SQUAD

Execution Took Place
March 31, 'Russians
Having Turned Deaf
Ear To Pleas For
Clemency.

Action Political, Not Religious, Is Statement—
Foreign Minister Protests
Poland's Action as Unfriendly.

Moscow, April 3 (By the Associated Press).—Vicar Gen. Butchkavitch has been executed. The Pravda says the execution occurred on March 31. The newspaper Izvestia asserts: "The sentence of death on Butchkavitch, whose reprieve was refused, has been carried out."

The time and place are not given.

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13 BELOW ZERO IN MICH.

Six Inches of Snow Also Falls At
Sault Ste. Marie—15 Feet of Snow
Drifted in Streets.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., April 3.—City officials here today were planning a shoveling bee to clear the streets of snow, which is drifted in some places to a depth of 15 feet. A call was sent out for 500 citizens to arm themselves with shovels and attack the drifts against which the street sweepers and snow plows were useless. Six inches of snow fell yesterday and the temperature was 13 below zero.

Ice in the straits of Mackinac and the Beaver Island river is 30 inches thick.

Forty Acres of Seething Fire in Kilauea Volcano

Hilo, T. H., April 3 (By the Associated Press).—Kilauea volcano is more active than it has been for years. The glow in the sky is visible for miles. With 40 acres of fire less than 300 feet from the rim, ten fountains are spouting an amount of lava estimated at 3,000,000 cubic yards weekly.

CAPTAIN AND CREW RESCUED FROM SINKING SHIP AT SEA

DRUNK FOR TWO YEARS

This Will Be Unique Plea of Former
Pine Bluffs, Mayor, Now Accused of
Embezzlement.

Pine Bluffs, Ark., April 3.—The defense of M. C. Hollis, former mayor of this city, who is on trial here on a charge of embezzling city funds, and forgers, will be that the former executive for two years prior to the time of the alleged offense was continuously under the influence of moonshine whiskey, according to an announcement by his attorney.

He will seek to show the former mayor's counsel said, that due to the effects of the liquor the defendant could not distinguish between right and wrong therefore did no wrong.

STEAL 3 TRUCKS OF LIQUOR

Baltimore, April 3.—Whiskey thieves broke into the Spring Gardens general bonded warehouse of No. 1 District of Maryland, in southwest Baltimore early today, bound the three watchmen and carried away three large truck loads of liquor.

CARNARVON HAS RELAPSE

Calto, April 3 (By the Associated Press).—The illness of the Earl of Carnarvon took a sudden turn for the worse this afternoon. His condition is characterized as critical.

PARRELL AND O'LEARY FREED OF CHARGE OF BLACKMAIL

No Evidence Produced to Show They
Accused Francolino of Crime, Judge
Klett Says in Decision.

Judge George W. Klett in police court this morning discharged Edward Farrell and William O'Leary, who were arrested on March 7 on a charge of alleged blackmail and given a hearing on Saturday of last week.

In disposing of the cases Judge Klett stated that the men had been produced in court on a charge of a crime or of a conspiracy to commit a crime, and that the evidence against them was insufficient to sustain the charge.

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STATE DEMANDS THAT FOSTER BE CONVICTED

Penalty Would Be 10 Years
In Prison, \$5,000 Fine,
or Both

St. Joseph, Mich., April 3 (By Associated Press).—Defense of American institutions demands the conviction of William Z. Foster of Chicago, charged with violating the Michigan law against criminal syndicalism, the state argued today at Foster's trial.

Foster was arrested as a result of attending a secret convention of the communist party of America held in the lonely dunes on the shore of Lake Michigan last August. He is the first of 32 arrested after the convention to face trial.

Charles Core, state attorney for Berrien county, opened for the prosecution with a plea for guilty which carries a sentence of ten years in prison or a fine of \$5,000 or both at the discretion of the court.

Mr. Gore was followed by Humphrey Grey, Benton Harbor banker, philanthropist and church member, representing the defense.

The closing arguments will be made this afternoon by O. L. Smith, assistant attorney general of Michigan, and Frank P. Walsh of New York and Washington, chief of counsel for Foster.

The state announced today that as soon as the verdict is returned it will ask that the trial of Charles E. Ruthenberg of Cleveland, one of Foster's co-defendants, be set for next Monday.

The total amount of pledges reported was \$3,912, the highest report being made by team No. 23, Captain Mrs. Catherine Wilbur Smith. The sum was \$1,046. The second highest amount in pledges received was by team No. 24, Captain Mrs. Buell B. Bassette, amount \$1,002. The team having the greatest number of new pledges was team No. 22, Captain Mrs. Herbert C. Warner, total number of new pledges, 18.

The team captains and the amounts received are as follows:

Team	Captain	Amount
1—Max	Coe	\$415.25
2—Fred	Housman	175.25
3—Frank	Woods	375.00
4—George	Christ	
5—D. L.	Bartlett	\$44.00
6—Harry	Traver	236.00
7—R.	McCutcheon	419.00
8—Carl	S. Neuman	453.00
9—George	T. Bean	173.00
10—Loran	Page	
11—F. W.	Macomber	\$40.00
12—Maurice	Johnson	236.00
13—Sturman	Dyson	
14—F. O.	Rackliffe	\$58.00
15—Dr. Fred	P. Lee	219.00
16—J. C.	Loomis	577.00
17—James	O'Brien	243.00
18—Frank	Shields	309.50
19—P. J.	Smith	105.00
20—C. W.	Wilson	415.00
21—Dr. Gertrude	J. Kinsella	294.00
22—Mrs. Herbert	C. Warner	247.00
23—Mrs. Catherine	W. Smith	1,046.00
24—Mrs. Buell B.	Bassette	1,002.00

No report.

W. C. French, president of the Lions club opened the meeting and thanked those present for making the Orpheus club concert a success, announcing that \$3,200 had been turned over to the two local orphanages.

He said the Lions club was glad of an opportunity to help in the present drive and assured his hearers that the club was ready to stand behind any community service whenever it could. A solo by Master Charles Haggerty of

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State Should Pay Greater Share of School Expenses, Holmes Says in Analysis of Education Taxes

New Britain Superintendent Explains His Views On
Increasing Burden On Cities and Towns.

At the request of the New Britain "Herald", Stanley H. Holmes, superintendent of public schools, has prepared a statement of his views on the increasing burden of taxation caused by the expense of educating boys and girls. Mr. Holmes believes that the state should assume a larger share of the burden because education is primarily a duty of the state although responsibility for it has been passed along to the cities and towns.

"If education is a concern and responsibility of the state, and if it is necessary in order to insure an intelligent citizenship and protection for life and property, then it would seem fair to conclude that the burden of taxation for education should be fairly distributed and borne equally by each dollar of taxable values in the state, whether it be in the form of general property, incomes, inheritances, gasoline sales, bank stocks, industrial stocks or other values," Mr. Holmes declares.

The statement follows: "That the tremendous increases which have taken place in school expenditures as well as in all other branches of municipal expenditures during the past six or seven years should have aroused general comment, criticism and opposition is not a source of surprise or wonderment for any school administrator. It is rather a cause for deep concern, careful study, and serious consideration by all of us, whether school superintendents, teachers, school committeemen or citizens.

"This question of increasing school costs is fully discussed by President Pritchett in the recent report of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. He contends that unless the increase in the cost of public education is checked there is no hope that the most of the school system will stop short of the financial solvency of the various states and communities."

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BUCKLEY TABLES PROPOSAL COMMENDING HARDING FOR WORLD COURT SUGGESTION

Delinquents Will Lose
Water Service on Wed.
Unless Bills Are Paid

Drastic action is being planned by the board of water commissioners following announcement that delinquent water rent payers will have their service cut off tomorrow if they have not paid up in the meantime.

Figures on the number of delinquents could not be obtained this morning, but it is stated definitely that the board will begin shutting off the water supply tomorrow where the water charges have not been paid.

This is said to be the most drastic action the local water board has taken for a long time. Last month notices were sent to a number of delinquent payers stating that if the back bills were not paid by April 1, the water would be shut off. Several people phoned and asked for a one or two day extension. This was granted but the time has expired and action will be taken tomorrow.

(Special to The Herald).

Brockton, Mass., April 3.—Mrs. Theresa Derenso, a former resident of New Britain, Conn., died in the Brockton City hospital early this morning from burns received yesterday afternoon while working in the kitchen of her home at 51 Turner street.

Mrs. Derenso's clothing caught fire from the stove and she ran to the street, her clothes in flames. The wind fanned the blaze as she ran.

Mrs. Cella Dandean of 58 Turner street heard her cries and ran to her assistance, throwing dirt and sand over her and rolling her on the ground.

While Mrs. Dandean and others were attempting to end her wild fight and subdue the flames, the victim, suffering terrible agony, used almost super-human strength in her effort to battle them off.

Her agonized screams were heard blocks away and within a short time a large crowd had gathered. By force the young woman was held to the ground, several suffering severe burns in keeping her there. Police and doctors were called and first aid was administered, after which she was sent to the hospital.

She was badly burned about the face and body and suffered terrible agony until death came. The young woman, but 35 years of age, was the wife of Joseph E. Derenso. Before her marriage here she was Theresa Leclair and was a dancer of some note. She resided at New Britain several years, being employed by Traut & Hine Mfg. Co. in that city.

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House Leader Objects to
Democrat's Measure,
Saying Assembly Ought
Not Force President's
Hand

Senator John Trumbull of
Plainville Presides Over
Upper House in Bingham's
Absence.

Hartford, April 3.—Lieut.-Governor Bingham did not preside in the senate today, his place being taken by Senator Trumbull, president pro tem. Lieut.-Governor Bingham was in attendance at the meeting of the American Chemical society in New Haven.

A resolution calling upon the general assembly to commend the action of President Harding and Secretary Hughes in opening a way for the United States to join the permanent

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